## **SharedSpoons Working Agreement**

#### Purpose:

This agreement outlines our team's shared approach to creating a respectful, collaborative, and productive environment while staying true to Agile principles.

## **General Principles**

#### 1. Respect and Openness:

- We will respect each other's ideas, time, and contributions.
- Everyone is encouraged to express their thoughts and concerns

#### 2. Continuous Improvement:

- We will find ways to improve through regular reflections.
- Feedback will be given constructively and received with an open mind.

## **Collaboration and Accountability**

#### 1. Communication:

- We will prioritize face-to-face communication when possible and use tools like
  Discord or text-messaging for online updates.
- Stand-ups will occur daily to synchronize and address any blockers.

### 2. Decision-Making:

- Decisions will be made collaboratively, ensuring all voices are heard.
- For technical matters, the development team will work together to reach a consensus.

#### 3. Team Alignment:

Everyone will commit to shared goals and work collaboratively to achieve them.

## 4. Ownership:

- Each team member takes responsibility for their assigned tasks and seeks help when needed.
- Issues or blockers will be raised promptly during stand-ups or via the agreed communication channel.

# **Working Practices**

#### 1. Sprint Commitments:

Each sprint, we will commit only to work we are confident we can deliver.

 Scope changes will be minimized and discussed only under exceptional circumstances.

## 2. **Definition of Ready:**

 Stories will be considered ready when they have clear acceptance criteria, are properly sized, and have sufficient detail for development.

### 3. **Definition of Done:**

 A task is "done" only when it meets the acceptance criteria, has been tested, and reviewed.

## **Respecting Time**

### 1. Meeting Discipline:

- Meetings will have clear agendas and adhere to timeboxes.
- We will start and end meetings on time.

# **Retrospective and Iteration**

- We will hold retrospectives at the end of each sprint to discuss:
  - What went well.
  - What didn't go well.
  - What we can improve moving forward.